

I do not support this petition. The present requirements as stated in the regulations for the amateur service are not a hinderance to obtaining a license. This country needs to maintain a pool of operators that are able to use morse code as a last resort. It is a discipline that needs to remain to avoid disruption of the service as viable and proficeint. Those that are serious of wantimg to join the service will master it. The requirements are now much eaisier than years ago and this IS suficient to maintain the basic knowledge. The code is universal and still the simplest and most effective means when conditions of disaster or propagation are the worst.